

St Barnabas

April 8th
2018

Church Matters

DIARY OF THE COMING WEEK		
<i>House Groups meet this week</i>		
Tues 10th	11.00am	Funeral
	2.30pm	Teapots
	7.30pm	Band Practice
Weds 11th	10.00am	Holy Communion
Thurs 12th	2.15pm	Tuffley Ladies Fellowship
	6.00pm	Vestry Time for wedding and baptisms enquiries
	7.30pm	Bible Natters at Alan's - Jacob DVD
	7.30pm	Standing Committee meet at the Vicarage
Sun 15th	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Family Praise
	11.30am	Holy Communion

Please remember in your prayers this week:

For our church:

- Ministry Team: Clergy and Readers.
- Preparations for the APCM. (April 22nd)

For the wider church:

- Our Bishops - Bishop Rachel Treweek and Bishop Robert Springett.
- Churches of other Christian denominations.

For our community:

- The Knoll Nursing Home and Tuffley Primary School.
- Our Uniformed Associations.
- Those who live in Kitchener Avenue and Ladysmith Road.
- The sick: Dermot Brown, Michelle Hyett, Janet Powell, Suzie Laughton, Rose, Alex Bayliss, Richard Lawrence, John Singleton, Colin Prosser, Malcolm Leslie, Tim, Mick, Joan Clifford, Noel Hitchings, Julia Campbell and Rachel.
- Those who have died: Heather Harrison, William Morgan, William Longford and William Brinkworth, and those who grieve.

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Welcome to St Barnabas.

If you are visiting, or with us for the first time, do please introduce yourself to members of the church and to the clergy. We are delighted to welcome you and hope you enjoy worshipping here. Please fill in a yellow "welcome card". Coffee, tea and cold drinks are served after the worship. If you have a particular need on your heart for which you would like prayer, please make your way to the Lady Chapel after the service where a member of the team will be available to pray with you.

Welcome to Worship

- 8.00am Holy Communion
- 10.00am Sunday Worship with Communion

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Next Sunday: 15th April

- 8.00am Holy Communion
- 10.00am Family Praise
- 11.30am Holy Communion

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The Collect and Readings for Sunday 8th April

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 4.32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

The Collect

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father.

Amen

**Readings for next week:
Acts 3.12-19 Luke 24.36b-48**

John 20.19 – end

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

News and Events

Easter Flowers - Donations would be gratefully received by Rosemary Watkin.

Electoral Roll: The revision of the St. Barnabas Electoral Roll has now been completed. A draft copy of the Roll will be available for inspection at the back of Church on Sunday's 8th April & 15th April between 8am and 11.30am and in the Church Office on Tues 10th & Thurs 12th April and Tues 17th & Thurs 19th April between 10am and 12noon. **Any amendments to be made to the Roll must be notified to Lynda Leslie (01452 412895 or 07866750148) no later than Friday 20th April 2017.** Lynda Leslie – Electoral Roll Officer.

APCM - 22nd April 2018 at 11.30am in St Barnabas Church. We have 6 vacancies on our PCC (2 for a 1 yr period, 1 for a 2yr period and 3 for a 3yr period). Nomination Forms are available at the back of the church and they should be returned to Sheila Jewell (PCC Secretary) or left in the Church Office in her tray by 20th April. Those nominated need to have been on the church Electoral Roll for a minimum period of 6 months. We will also need nomination forms to be completed for 2 Church Wardens as they have to be elected annually.

APCM Booklets - The booklets are at the back of church please do take one per household.

Organ Concert 25.3 - we're delighted that the Organ Concert was well supported and raised just under £200. Thankyou to all who came and all who donated, and special thanks to our three organists: William, Bengt and John.

Bishop Robert Springett (Bishop of Tewkesbury) - preaches and presides on Sept 2nd at St. Barnabas. Please save the date.

Confirmation - We will soon be running Confirmation Groups. Confirmation is for anyone 10 years and upwards, for children or adults who wish to explore more about what they believe. For those who choose, Confirmation Groups can lead to being Confirmed by the Bishop. Speak to Revd Janet if you, or a member of your family, are interested.

Grant Applications - We are looking for people who would be interested to help the church apply for grants for the redecorating of the church. If you have past experience or if you would like this to be a new venture to explore please contact Sheila Jewell (PCC Secretary).

FestivALL - is about breaking down barriers in our communities. Lasting one month between May 17th and June 17th the festival begins with an evening in the grounds of the Cathedral. There will be street food, bands, dancing and more; officially opened by Bishop Rachel. Within the month many of St. Barnabas' events and services in the hall and in the church speak of inclusion. A special event for this time will be our 'Hall and church celebration' event on June 10th for our Patronal Sunday.

A Pastoral Letter from Archbishops Justin Welby and John Sentamu - relating to the Independent Inquiry on Child Sexual Abuse, can be found on the back table. This is also on the Diocesan Website.

Important dates: Dates for your Diary available at the back of church

22nd April	APCM 11.30am
29th April	'Celebration of the Word' 5.30pm
10th May	Ascension Day Communion 7.30pm
12th May	PCC Away Day
17th May	FestivALL launch Street Party
10th June	'Patronal Sunday' Hall and Church Celebration pm